മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ : ഞായറാഴ്ച അവർക്ക് ക്ലാസുണ്ടായിരിക്കുമോ ?

റാവുസാഹിബ് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ : ക്ലാസ് ഇല്ല.

80. Mr. M. K. Devassy (*Adur*): Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the proportion of grant-in-aid to the Sanskrit Schools is fixed according to any definite principle or standard ;

(*b*) if the answer to question (*a*) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to state what that principle or standard is ; and

(*c*) if the answer to question (*a*) is in the negative, will the Government be pleased to chalk out a definite policy and principle to guide the grant-in-aid to Sanskrit Schools ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) No. But the strength, the number of classes and efficiency have been the criterion in fixing the amount of lump grant that each school gets now.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) A regular policy and principle for giving aid to Sanskrit Schools can be adopted only when funds permit.

HINDI—COMPULSORY TEACHING OF.

81. Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether their attention has been drawn to a speech made by the Hon'ble Minister at Trippunittura on 10th October 1938, as reported in 'The Hindu' dated 12th October 1938;

(*b*) speaking about the urgent necessity of making Hindi a compulsory subject in our schools, does not the speech contain the following passage :—

"What I want you to do is to agitate in a peaceful constitutional manner, for this measure of compulsion to be introduced in the Schools until the authorities become convinced and pass such a measure that should firmly establish the root of Hindi in the State and sow the seed of common nationality for Indian brothers and sisters. Let us be not guided by the oration of the Anti-Hindi agitators" ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

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Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*) : May I know whether this is the view of the Government also ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*) : Government have not formed any definite opinion on this matter. We are waiting for the report of the expert bodies. Therefore Government can form a definite opinion only after receipt of the above report.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): Is the Minister put in charge of Education ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*) : No.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (*Kunnamkulam*) : May I know whether the Minister has found any Anti-Hindi agitation in the State ?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*) : Sir, I think I should make my position clear in this connection. First of all I do not think such a question arises out of this. What I have said at Trippunittura on the 10th October has been said in my personal capacity as a public man, and not in the capacity of a Minister. That is my own personal view. That has nothing to do with the Government.

STEAM AND MOTOR BOATS—REGISTRATION.

82. **Mr. A. V. Moothedan** (*Chalakkudi*): Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the rule requiring the registration of private steam and motor boats in Cochin State is cancelled recently;

(*b*) if so, what is the reason ;

(*c*) what is the loss of revenue to the Government on account of this cancellation ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Rule 5 of the Cochin Canal Rules as amended makes it imperative on the owner of a motor vessel intended for his personal use and not meant for hire or purposes of trade to register it at the time of its purchase. But there is no need to register it again if the ownership is not changed.

(*b*) Apart from the fact that it was in accordance with the practice of the Travancore Canal Department, it is also the practice in vogue for the registration of motor vehicles.

(*c*) Rs. 208.

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